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Yoshiaki FUKUZUMI et al.

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SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE USING

FUSE/ANTI-FUSE SYSTEM AND METHOD

OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 6, 2002, please amend the instant application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

The paragraph starting on page 1, line 5, has been amended as follows:

This application is based upon and claims the benefit of priority from the prior Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-039968, filed February 17, 2000.

The paragraph starting on page 5, line 9, has been amended as follows:

The anti-fuse is expected to produce various merits. For example, the anti-fuse is expected to decrease the area occupied within the chip and to permit replacing the final defective cell after sealing the package. Also, in the anti-fuse, a desired gate insulating film is broken to make the device conductive by applying a voltage higher than the breakdown voltage. Therefore, in general, the anti-fuse is connected to a high voltage generating circuit for breaking the gate insulating film and to a judging circuit for detecting whether the anti-fuse portion is broken or not. It follows that, in breaking the anti-fuse portion, the gate insulating film in the judging circuit portion also is damaged to some extent. Such being the situation, it was desirable

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